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The pre-schoolers were treated to a week of Easter activities at the Ontario Early Years Day Care Centre in Minden. From left, Dakota Bunnet, Laura Acorn and Nicholas Newbatt sport Easter headwear for the occasion.

New study calls for more support from council for cultural centre

by IZABELA JAROSZYNSKI
Times staff

The cultural centre is an important part of life in Minden and needs more support from council and the community, a recent study concluded.

Hired by the Minden Hills Cultural Centre to conduct a Capacity Building and Sustainability Plan, LORD research consultants gave 22 recommended strategies for the future of the centre.

At the core of their recommendations is the need for the MHCC to work as one body with a strong mandate, a close relationship with the community, and a supportive backing from council.

The report recommended that the three separate committees that currently administer the Agnes Jamieson Gallery, the Minden Hills Museum, and the Minden Public Library, be condensed into one Advisory Committee that will report to council.

The recommendation also states that a designated member of council and the municipal clerk serve as members of this board to ensure proper communication.

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Pine Springs declared provincially significant wetland

No word yet on how this will affect lagoon

by IZABELA JAROSZYNSKI
Times staff

Pine Springs has been declared a provincially significant wetland, Algonquin Highlands councillors were told on Thursday.

A field study conducted by wildlife biologist Paul Heaven, and recently approved by the Ministry of Natural Resources, found that the wetlands scored 729 points out of a possible 1000, and 238 in the special factors category.

"That makes it significant," Heaven said.

After completing an extensive mapping project for Haliburton County, using tools like radar and satellite imaging to identify all wetlands in the area, six specific areas were selected for a comprehensive field study. Among these areas was Pine Springs.

The issue surrounding Pine Springs is, of course, the long debate over Algonquin Highlands' proposed septage lagoon.

At the request of Algonquin Highlands CAO Gerald Bain, Heaven presented his findings to council.

By MNR standards, any development within 120 metres of a provincially significant wetland is discouraged and would have to undergo a study to show that it would not have any impact on the wetland, Heaven told council.

Preliminary data shows that part of the proposed lagoon would fall into this restricted area, he said.

Councillor Tom Gardner asked if Pine Springs had been selected for in-depth study specifically because of the township's proposed lagoon near the site.

Heaven said that strong public interest in the area was part of the reason.

Reeve Eleanor Harrison thanked Heaven for his work and said she was pleased that Pine Springs was one of the sites studied extensively.

Bain echoed Harrison's remarks, calling the study "one small part of the puzzle with respect to the lagoon."

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Two steppers step out

by IZABELA JAROSZYNSKI
Times staff

Faced with the job of raising money to fund children's games for the annual Haliburton County Fair, fundraisers Maxine Snell and Elisabeth Hutchinson decided to take a walk.

On May 8, they are encouraging everyone to lace up their sneakers and help give children free games at the fair by walking in a fundraiser.

Not only will proceeds go towards sponsoring games at the fair, but half of all money raised will be given to the Minden and Haliburton food banks.

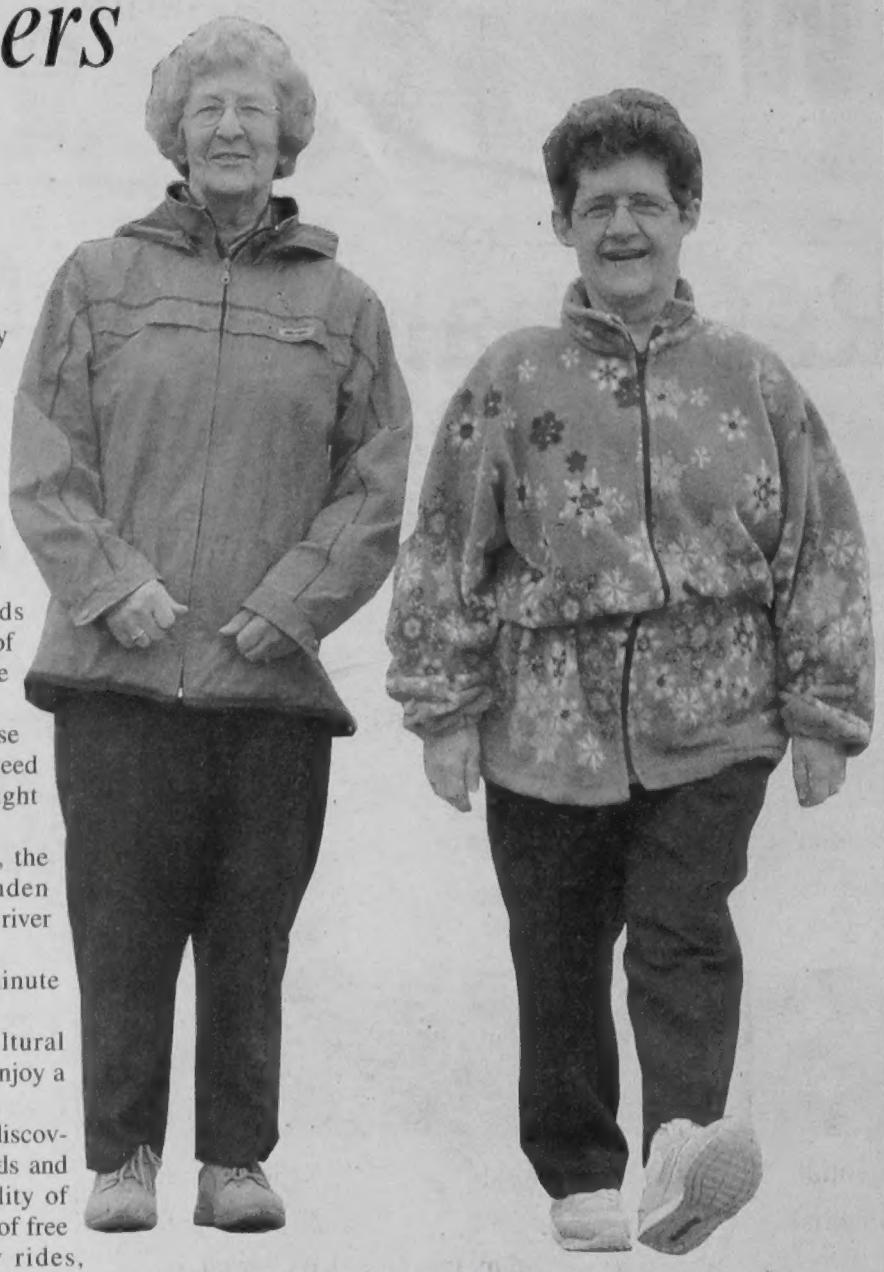
"We wanted to do something to raise money for the fair, but the food banks need money too," Snell said. "So we thought why not do both."

Called the Walk for Food and Fun, the fundraiser will kick off at the Minden Fairgrounds, wind its way toward the river and finish back up at the grounds.

"I would estimate that it's a 40-minute walk," Snell said.

Sponsored by the Minden Agricultural Society, participants of the event will enjoy a hot dog and a drink following the walk.

Snell says children and parents love discovering the fair has free activities for kids and doesn't want to entertain the possibility of cancelling them. The fair has a variety of free children's activities such as pony rides, clowns, mini-putt and a petting zoo.



Maxine Snell and Elisabeth Hutchinson

Report gives gallery focus

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Of the current situation, the report states that: "the Committees do not have mandates or clear direction from Council as to what is expected of them, which can lead to misunderstandings and lack of shared understanding of proprieties or expectations for the gallery, museum, and cultural centre."

As part of their service, consultants Margaret May and Shiralee Hudson met with Laurie Carmount, the gallery administrator, and Micheal Fay from the museum committee and Friends of the Library, to discuss the current context of the cultural centre, as well as its history and issues.

A public meeting was held in late January to allow the community to be part of the planning and strategy process.

Their recommendations are a result of both the public forum and private consultations.

Fay called the report balanced, and said the recommendations were thorough.

"It recommended a good way to approach the future with closer cooperation between the museum, gallery, and library," he said.

"It confirmed the importance of the cultural centre to the people of Minden Hills."

As a short-term goal, the consultants recognize that the Agnes Jamieson Gallery needs to carry out its planned expansion in order to create essential space for collection display, storage, workspace, and amenities.

The report also points out that it is a strange situation that the township is only being asked to lend capital to the project rather than to finance it.

"It is unusual that a municipal council is not contributing to the cost of a capital project for a municipal service and facility," the report states.

For long-term goals, the report said the main focus should be on creating a solid identity for the centre as a whole and on increasing attendance.

To increase the attendance rate for the MHCC, the report identified four potential audiences: permanent residents, seasonal residents, tourists, and students. It recommended that "the Cultural Centre develop a program plan that offers a variety of programs and exhibits that respond to the interests and needs of target audiences," the report said.

Carmount, who had previously called the experience with the LORD consultants a huge learning curve, was pleased with the results of the report and said it gave the gallery focus for the future.

Fay agreed, saying that the future of the centre will bring economic spin-offs to the area.

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Grower ran out of pot luck

OPP busts Howland Junction man

An OPP search warrant paid off when $760,000 worth of drugs was seized at a residence on Howland Junction Road on the Minden Hills side of Kinmount last Monday.

Members of the Kawartha Combined Forces Drug Unit, assisted by the Haliburton Highlands OPP, City of Kawartha Lakes OPP and Central Region Street Crime unit executed a Controlled Drugs and Substances Act search warrant on Monday at 2:14 p.m. The police located a marijuana grow in the basement of the residence consisting of 761 marijuana plants in various stages of growth.

Officers also located in the residence 3.4 pounds of marijuana shake as well as 19.3 grams of hashish. The police also seized night vision equipment and Canadian currency with a combined value of $1,000.

A 23-year-old man was found at the residence and has been charged with production of a controlled substance, possession for the purpose to traffic and possession of a controlled substance. He will appear in court on May 20 in Lindsay.

Oxtongue Lake landfill site needs a little freshening up

The Oxtongue Lake landfill site will be getting a makeover.

After visiting and inspecting the site, Algonquin Highlands councillors Diane Griffin and Jim Hicks made a few recommendations to council.

One of the recommendations was to freshen up the outhouse used by the landfill attendant.

Griffin said it was in poor condition and needed a good scrub with hot water. She also recommended that it be painted.

It was also noted that the bins used to collect recyclables are not easily accessible, especially in the winter.

Reeve Eleanor Harrison said that, since recycling will become mandatory in July, making the bins accessible should be a priority.

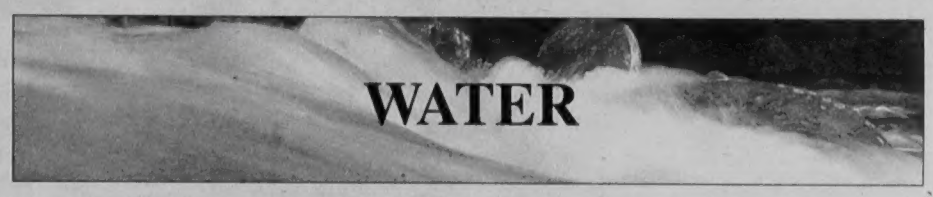
Both Griffin and Hicks agreed that a few minimal changes will make the site function better.

"It definitely has potential," Griffin said.

Council agreed that Public Works Superintendent Brian Whetstone would view the site and changes would be made.

Rate changes comparison

Minden Hills is proposing the following rate changes.
A public meeting will be held April 29 at 3 p.m. to discuss these fees.



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	$1.40 per cu. metre	$1.65 per cu. metre
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Find out how to look after your well, water at forums

Well owners in the Haliburton Highlands will have two opportunities to learn how to protect their drinking water.

Two Well Aware Community Forums will be held in the Highlands: the first is Tuesday April 27, 7 p.m., at the Lloyd Watson Centre in Wilberforce; the second is Thursday May 27, 7 p.m. at the Royal Canadian Legion in Haliburton village.

The forums are being held all over Ontario in order to give people a chance to find out about well water protection in a friendly setting. Presented by the Ontario Ground Water Association and Green Communities with funding from the province, the forums are being organized locally by Environment Haliburton.

The forums will feature speakers who are experts in their fields: a hydrogeologist who will discuss groundwater basics (a simplified description of local soil, rock strata, aquifers, groundwater movement, infiltration, recharge, factors influencing flow and contamination sources); a licensed well driller who will talk about well construction and maintenance (well location selection, methods of access to groundwater, regulations concerning drilled, dug and bored wells, methods of construction, common well problems and decommissioning of old wells); a health unit representative who will discuss water testing; and a groundwater educator who will talk about source protection.

If you have any problems with your well or your drinking water; or if you are thinking about building a new well, this is your chance to hear from the experts and have your questions answered.

As a well owner, it is your job to make sure your family has a safe supply of drinking water; it is your job to be "well aware."

Two forums are scheduled to make sure everyone has an opportunity to educate themselves on this important topic. Admission is free and simple refreshments will be served.

For more information, see the Environment Haliburton website: www.environmenthaliburton.ca. Or call Cathy Olliffe at 489-1977.

Who you gonna call? 1-866-514-BEAR

The provincial government has established a toll-free hotline as part of a new Bear Wise strategy to help manage nuisance black bears and make communities safer.

"People can call toll free 1-866-514-BEAR (2327) 24 hours a day, seven days a week to report nuisance bear problems," said Natural Resources Minister David Ramsay. "This is a real positive change that will go a long way toward easing the minds of people living in bear country and make our communities safer."

The new phone line will handle nuisance bear situations. In emergencies, the public should call 911 or police for assistance.

"The best defence against nuisance bears is education and prevention," said Ramsay. "Simple actions such as bear-proofing your garbage, not leaving pet food outside and cleaning outdoor grills can make a big difference in minimizing nuisance bear activities."

The Bear Wise strategy is based on four cornerstones – reporting, response, prevention, and education and awareness – as the best way to reduce nuisance bear activity.

Ministry staff have also met with more than 200 communities across Ontario and the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police to discuss ways of working together to prevent nuisance bear problems.

"We all have a role to play in reducing human-bear conflicts," said Ramsay.

Even MPP impressed by U-Links' links

by SHERYL LOUCKS
Times Staff

A link between the popular snowmobiling trails in Haliburton Forest and Trent University students is not an obvious partnership but has become a strong one over the last few years, thanks to the U-Links Centre for Community-Based Research in Minden.

MPP Laurie Scott listened with visible surprise as Jody Bissett, from Haliburton Forest, explained the role Trent students, through U-Links, have played in the Forest, maintaining a sustainable forestry certification. She was speaking to Scott during the annual Celebration of Research held this year at the Haliburton Fish Hatchery. Bissett explained that the forest is audited every five years and must prove its woods and lakes are being used economically, environmentally and socially in a sustainable way. Trent students have been instrumental in the Forest passing the audit by presenting research on the impact of things like noise and toxic pollution from snowmobiling.

"I didn't know much about the program. The involvement of the students and diversity of projects is impressive," says Scott.

She was on hand to present to U-Links and the Trent Centre for Community Based Education in Peterborough a grant from the Ontario Trillium Foundation, an arms length agency of the Ministry of Culture. The foundation receives $100 million annually from the provincial government, dollars generated from casinos. The two community-based research programs will be receiving $65,000 of that money over the next two years.

Kate Hall, U-Links facilitator, explained the money will be spent on developing ways to get the students' research out to the public so it can be easily accessed and used. It will also be spent on fostering further development of the program. One of the initiatives Hall is working on is the Haliburton Electronic Archive Project, a searchable online database that catalogues the holdings of the Haliburton County Collection and research reports written by Trent students. She says these records are vital to maintaining the living heritage of the community.

MPP Laurie Scott had her eyes opened last weekend to what kind of projects U-Links students do in the community when she chatted with David Poole, associate Dean of Arts and Sciences at Trent University, Jody Bissett from Haliburton Forest and Kate Hall, local U-Links facilitator. (Photo, Sheryl Loucks)

The website is www.haliburtoncooperative.on.ca/ulinks/contact.html.

Glenn Hodge reviewed the grant application from the two Trent community-based research programs. He says the boards put up during the celebration show not only how successful U-Links is in creating partnerships between the students and the community but also in providing practical help to community groups. He says he approved the Trillium grant because the purpose of the foundation is to invest money into ventures that will "grow" the initial investment.

This year's crop of U-Links students are helping maintain sustainable forestry practices, providing a plan for a community boardwalk and developing a history of Canning Lake and Gooderham, all of which will be of great benefit to future generations and have unforeseen returns on the Trillium grant.

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Life may be a highway but not all highways are for ATVs

OPP lays out the rules for All-Terrain Vehicles

The Haliburton Highlands Detachment would like to remind the public that not all roads in Haliburton County are open to the operators of All-Terrain Vehicles.

The following townships have passed a by-law allowing ATVs on all their respective roads: Minden Hills, Highlands East and Algonquin Highlands. The County of Haliburton has also passed a by-law allowing ATVs on specific county roads. All-Terrain vehicles are also permitted on certain sections of Highways 118 and 35.

The Haliburton Highlands Detachment would like to remind the public that while operating an ATV on a permitted road certain conditions apply as per the Highway Traffic Act.

The Highway Traffic Act defines an ATV as an off-road vehicle that,

(a) Has four wheels, the tires of all of which are in contact with the ground

(b) Has steering handlebars

(c) Has a seat that is designed to be straddled by the driver, and

(d) Is designed to carry a driver only and no passengers.

The driver of an off-road vehicle shall wear a helmet that complies with Section 19 of the Off-Road Vehicles Act.

The Off-Road Vehicle shall be operated under the authority of a permit (ownership) issued under the Off-Road Vehicles Act and a number plate (licence plate) showing the number of the permit shall be displayed on the vehicle.

The off-road vehicle shall be in accordance with Section 2 of the Compulsory Automobile Insurance Act and Section 15 of the Off-Road Vehicles Act.

The driver of an off-road vehicle shall be a licensed driver of Class G2, M2 or higher. A class M1 or G1 licence is not sufficient.

The Off-Road Vehicle shall not be driven at a rate of speed greater than,

(a) 20 kilometres per hour, if the speed limit established under the Act for that part of the highway is not greater than 50 kilometres per hour; or

(b) 50 kilometres per hour, if the speed limit established under the Act for that part of the highway is greater than 50 kilometres per hour.

Anyone with questions about this legislation can contact Constable Mark McMaster of the Haliburton Highlands Detachment. Anyone with questions about the by-laws passed by the various Townships or the County should contact them directly.

Members of the public who will be operating their ATV on permitted roadways are reminded to drive responsibly.

No more garbage at the Dorset parkette? Bears will now have to go somewhere else for a free meal.

Parkette trash sings siren song to hungry black bears

by IZABELA JAROSZYNSKI
Times staff

The following are brief notes from last Thursday's Algonquin Highlands council meeting.

Bear bait

Calling them "bear bait," council will be removing garbage containers in the Dorset parkette.

Last summer, nuisance bears became a huge problem at the parkette, and council hopes to discourage them from returning by removing the bins.

Families frequently use the parkette during the summer and many complained about bears wandering onto the site.

Although it was mentioned that bear-proof containers might also alleviate the problem, councillor Kerry Lock said she would like to try removing them.

People who dump their weekend's worth of garbage at the parkette instead of heading to the landfill misuse the containers.

Councillor Diane Griffin agreed that removing the containers altogether might be the best method.

"As long as we have signage," she added.

Council will place signs at the parkette telling residents that the containers were removed because of bear problems and ask people to take their garbage home.

Hot property

The property surrounding Stanhope airport is becoming a hot commodity.

Council approved the sale of another piece of land, making it the second property sold by the township in the last month.

Lorne Heise of Heat-Line Corporation, which currently operates a light industrial business near the airport, purchased the land adjacent to his existing business.

It is still unclear whether Heise will be using the property to expand the existing business or whether it is meant for the creation of a new company.

The township still has one parcel of property available for sale. It is located between the land recently purchased by Oshawa-based Classic Wings Inc. and the property just sold to Heise.

The fate of another five acres of land, which includes a farmhouse and a hanger, also owned by Algonquin Highlands is still to be decided. Council may decide to put it up for sale or keep it as township land.

Reeve Eleanor Harrison is pleased with the way the property is selling.

"Hopefully the future will bring forth more buyers," she said.

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Where's the justification?

Buying in bulk usually results in a saving to the buyer. When it involves high end products such as ambulance vehicles and equipment, having the opportunity to buy from a bulk supplier can result in substantial savings. And now that ambulance services have been downloaded to municipalities, those savings could mean a huge difference to smaller municipalities when budget negotiations are under way.

A press release was received at *The Times* recently from the Ontario Public Service Employees Union (OPSEU) stating that the provincial government plans to close the Fleet and Equipment Services (FES) warehouse operation in Etobicoke. FES buys ambulance vehicles and equipment in bulk, assembles the components - the vehicle cab and chassis and the ambulance equipment - and passes the savings on to the consumers. The consumer used to be the provincial government before ambulance services was downloaded to municipalities.

Bob English, the Emergency Medical Services Manager for Haliburton County, said he hasn't had any official word of the impending FES warehouse closure. He said FES is a valuable resource which saves thousands of dollars for municipalities, in this case Haliburton County.

English said the former government made the decision to close the FES warehouse and OPSEU has lobbied the current government to reverse that decision, apparently without success. It was hoped that the status quo would be maintained, giving lower tier governments a break on such major purchases.

"Closing the warehouse would force municipalities to deal directly with ambulance builders, resulting in a loss of those savings," English said. He added that FES had experts on site to assemble the components the way local ambulance services required. "It is very convenient," English added.

In effect, municipalities were able to purchase ambulances and related equipment from the province and warranty work could be done at the Etobicoke warehouse. The two (closest) private ambulance suppliers, English says, are not even in Ontario. One is in Saskatoon and the other is in Montreal. Not having a local supplier could also cause delays when replacement vehicles are needed.

Why any provincial government, past or present, would even consider closing such a facility that provides a significant cost saving to lower tier governments, after downloading ambulance services to them, defies logic. We would be interested to hear the government's justification for the closure of the FES warehouse.

Funding good news

The recent commitment of federal funding of the Health For Life program is good news. Although the full extent of the funding is, as yet, unknown, the government has confirmed that some money will be forthcoming. Officials have applied for additional funding above last year's level and it is hoped that those who review and approve the applications will appreciate the value the additional funding will provide to the community.

Another positive announcement was the Ontario Trillium Foundation grant of $65,000, which will be shared by U-Links and the Trent University Centre for Community Based Learning. U-links provides valuable research to county businesses and organizations - research that, in most cases, would not be practical (affordable) for those businesses or organizations. An additional bonus is the practical experience the student researchers receive as they conduct their interviews, delve into archival information and prepare their reports. JG

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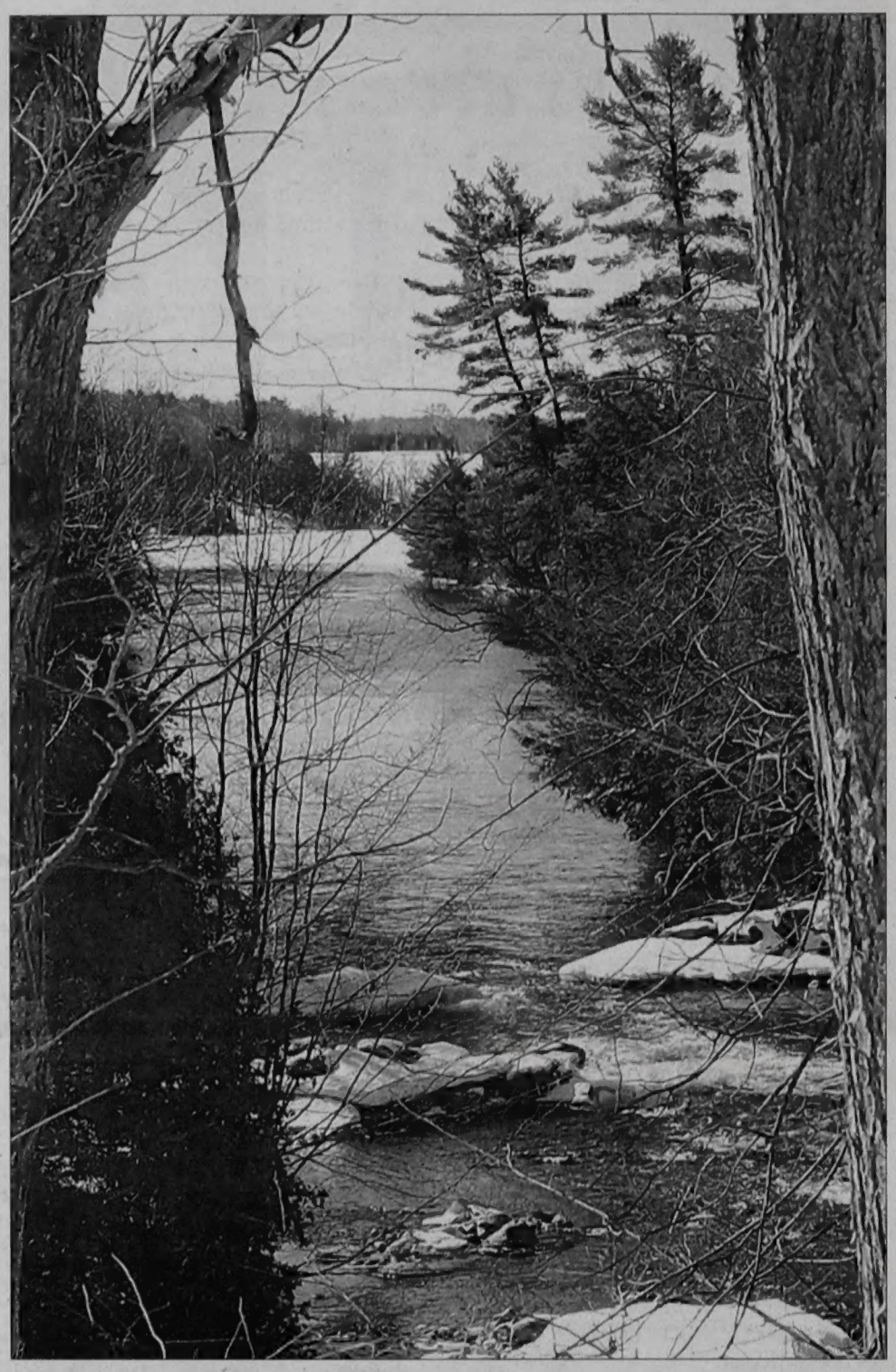

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Gull River scene Photo by DARREN LUM/Times

TO THE EDITOR

Times readers write

Research still in progress

To the Editor:

In response to the March 19, 2004 edition of the *Minden Times* article titled Skilled labourers in short supply , by Izabela Jaroszynski, I would like to make some clarifications.

I am one of the Trent University students who conducted a community-based research project through U-Links. Firstly, I would like to state that the presentation that I made to the Haliburton Economic Diversification Committee was strictly a progress report on my research thus far. It was explained and understood in the meeting that the findings presented, consisted of raw data and therefore no final conclusions had been made. To interpret these preliminary findings, draw conclusions, and then present them to the community is entirely premature.

Secondly, it is misleading to explain the opinions of employers interviewed to the public without explaining the context within which it was presented. Lastly, only 16 employers were interviewed, a relatively small number of businesses operating in the trades, and the findings only represent the responses of the participants involved.

I thoroughly enjoyed working on this project. Everyone I met in the community, especially the employers I interviewed, were very accommodating and helpful. Thank you for welcoming me into your community. The final report will be available at the Haliburton County Development Corporation office in Haliburton and at the U-Links Centre in Minden by the end of April.

Ashley Murphy

INOTHERWORDS

Columnists and Letters to the Editor

Killing them with kindness

BEYOND35

Steve Galea

Okay, imagine you find yourself in a police interrogation room on charges of performing karaoke show tunes in a public place — which, if it isn't a crime, ought to be. Two cops are interrogating you - trying to get you to sing, so to speak.

One is big, gruff, mean and burly, with one eyebrow. This wouldn't be so bad if it was his. The other is a kind, good looking, young woman with a dazzling smile and a kind, cheerful manner. She giggles, talks softly and immediately puts you at ease.

Which one should you fear?

If you said the latter, you'd be right. A University of Stockholm study recently determined that, during interrogations, the good cop elicits far more confessions than the bad one. People also tend to provide more evidence when questioned gently. This, naturally, improves the chances of a conviction.

With this newfound scientific knowledge, I'm envisioning that police interrogation procedures will soon be revolutionized, probably along the good cop/better cop model.

Consider the following scenario: Good cop: "Okay, Mugsy, the officer here says you stole a jar of pickled beets. He says he caught you red-handed too. I'm wondering if that's true."

"I didn't do it, copper," he sneers. "You'll never pin it on me."

Better Cop: "Of course you didn't do it Mugsy. (fluffing his pillow). Hey, you seem kind of tense. Need a foot rub or something? I've got this new loofa sponge and some warm peppermint cream. Care for a pedicure while I'm at it?"

"I want to see my lawyer," Mugsy replies nervously.

Good cop: "Of course you do Mugsy. Right after you try some of these chocolate chip cookies I baked. They're fresh out of the oven. Here, have a few."

"Let's just say I did take a pickled beet or two" He says, as he shifts uneasily, in the recently reupholstered Lazy-Boy.

Better Cop: "Aw, let's not worry about it, Mugsy. I'll pay for the jar. Here, sit back and have some nice warm cocoa. It's good for the digestion."

"All right! All right! I did it! I took the beets and I was driving a stolen car when I did. I also have three overdue library books in my house, I took all the tags off of my mattresses, I copied a rented movie and I passed wind on a crowded elevator this morning. Please, enough of the interrogation! Enough!"

Good Cop: "Oh Mugsy, you're being too hard on yourself. Why don't I sing you a lullaby? Wrote it myself."

"Okay, okay... I was also responsible for all those unsolved art thefts last year."

Better Cop: My, but you have good taste. Those were wonderful and expensive abstracts. Hey, look at how his socks match his tie! That's spiffy."

"Wait! Remember the East Side Flasher? That was me! I'll show you my birth mark."

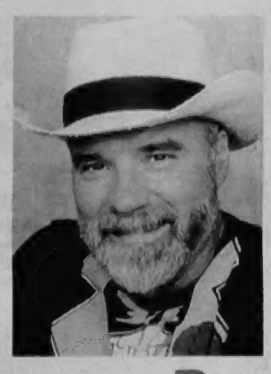
Good Cop: "Well, you're quite a versatile little criminal aren't you? Your mother must be proud. Really proud. Hey, your Interpol file says you like Appalachian folk music, crimson sunsets and long walks along the beach at midnight..."

"Dear God! Okay, okay, I run a secret terrorist organization. I'll give you names, rendezvous points, codes and drop boxes. If you put down that acoustic guitar, I'll even tell you where our headquarters and secret training camps are... Please, no more kindness.... You people are animals...(sobbing) — cute cuddly animals..."

Better Cop: "There, there, I bet you feel better now. Officer, put the cuffs on our friend... gently. Very gently."

Sure it's scary. But if this comes to pass, criminals should beware. After all, who wants to do soft time in prison?

Polly's got a potty mouth



ARTHURBLACK

Columnist

Queen Elizabeth will be spared meeting one member of the crew when she steps aboard a Royal Navy frigate next month. The HMS Lancaster is scheduled to receive an official visit from Her Majesty, and the captain, Commander Paul Chivers, doesn't want Able Seaman Sunny Grey on deck to screw things up. He's being sent ashore for the duration of the royal visit. It's not that Sunny's a troublemaker. He's popular with the crew, always good for a laugh, and like any seasoned tar, he's used to living in a confined space. In fact, Sunny spends most of his hitch aboard HMS Lancaster behind bars.

The bars of a birdcage. He's a parrot.

How much damage can a ball of feathers do to a royal entourage? Plenty, if it's got a mouth on it like Sunny. The bird has spent rather too much time eavesdropping on the casually scatological and blasphemous conversations of his fellow sailors. To put it bluntly, he cusses like a, well, sailor. He's also an excellent mimic. Commander Chivers and his crew can visualize only too well a scenario where Prince Phillip leans into the cage and murmurs something like "Who's a pretty bird, then?" Only to be greeted with a squawked "Bollocks! I'll have yer arse for that, milad!"

I'm sure the zealots at People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals will be filing an official grievance on behalf of Sunny, but I'm with Commander Chivers on this one. I think it's right and prudent that Sunny be piped ashore for the duration of the visit. As a matter of fact if I was walking the bridge, we'd probably set sail without him.

I'm mostly an animal-friendly guy. I like most dogs, some cats, every elephant I've ever met, and I'm open-minded about horses, duck-billed platypi and blue tailed skinks. But parrots? Sorry, Polly. We belong on separate planets.

I know that I'm being irrational about this. My parrotophobia is based on my experience with a single bird. Sydney, his name was. Sydney was nominally a South African Grey like Sunny, although I came to think of him as a demon in plumage.

Sydney came into my home at a time when I had way more money than brains. I paid an obscene amount of loot for the bird, bought a cage that was roomier than some apartments I've rented, laid in a great store of crackers, mirrors, bells, miniature ladders and other assorted avian gewgaws. And proceeded to have my home life utterly ruined.

Sydney, you see, shrieked. Randomly, often and apparently apropos of nothing. He shrieked to be let out of the cage, whereupon he shrieked to be let back in. He shrieked for apple slices and parrot treats which he then strewed around the living room. Between shrieks. Understand that we are not talking about a mere, loud caterwauling scream here. Sydney's shriek could shatter crystal, stampede cattle and cause strong men to whimper uncontrollably. Sydney was loud. He could make you bleed from the ears.

Sydney had other endearing qualities. Although he turned up his beak at the outrageously expensive gourmet treats I offered him, he was quite delighted with my taste in wallpaper which he tore off in long irreplaceable strips. He also liked to feast on the oak wainscotting that used to adorn my living room and to dive bomb my dog Rufus, who became quite unhinged during Sydney's reign.

My cat, which had grown up in a barn surrounded by chickens, geese and ducks, wouldn't even come in the house as long as Sydney was there.

Which wasn't long, mercifully. I knew I had to take steps when I caught Sydney chewing on a lamp cord one day and didn't stop him, hoping that one more chomp and 212 volts in the craw would fricassee the feathered fiend and end his nightmare regime. I came to my senses, put Sydney in his cage and took him back to the pet store.

I'd suppressed that ugly chapter of my life until I read about Sunny, the Royal Navy parrot with the foul beak. Memories of Sydney bubbled up out of my subconscious and I realized that just about the only bad habit Sydney didn't have was a filthy mouth.

Just a loud one.

Reminds me of the story of a religious woman who brought home a parrot one day only to discover the bird knew swear words that would make Sunny the naval parrot blush. She tried shaking her finger at him; she tried yelling at him. She even threw a blanket over the cage. The bird cursed louder.

Finally in exasperation she grabbed the parrot by the neck, wrenched open her freezer and flung him in.

After a minute she opened the lid. There stood her parrot, meek and shivering.

"I must apologize for my abominable behaviour" the parrot said humbly. "I was abusive and thoughtless and I assure you it will never happen again."

"Just as a matter of curiosity, may I ask what the turkey did?

Anglicans, Lutherans share communion rights

MORELETTERS

Times readers write

To the Editor:

I would like to share some information on the Waterloo Declaration, made July 2001, between the Anglican Church of Canada and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada. The Declaration is entitled "Called to Full Communion" and it includes transferability of members between the two churches; communicant members welcome at each other's altar,; greater opportunities for fellowship between Christians; inter-dependence while remaining autonomous.

Although there are no Lutheran Churches in our area, there are Lutherans -- so we would like to extend an open invitation to you, to attend any of our local Anglican churches, especially in the light of Easter fast approaching, and in the year to come.

Blessings and peace in this Easter season.

Rev. Riscylla Shaw
Anglican Parish of Minden-Kinmount

Susan Reid is the new director of acute and ambulatory care with Haliburton Highlands Health Services.

New face at hospital

by JERRY GROZELLE
Times staff

She has only been the director of acute and ambulatory care with Haliburton Highlands Health Services for a couple of weeks, but Susan Reid is already impressed with the level of professionalism and teamwork of the management and staff at the Minden and Haliburton hospitals.

"The focus is on patient care first," said Reid, who was hired to take over the position when Lynne Johnston retired.

Reid has extensive experience in the medical field, including administration with Grey-Bruce Health Services, an eight-facility county health care system. She has also worked as a nurse in a critical care ward in Toronto's Jane and Finch area.

Reid believes it is helpful for her new job to have a clinical background as well as administration experience. And the fact that she and her husband Jim have five children contributes to her multi-tasking skills.

Reid says, "Being a mom was the top priority for a while, but it's nice to get back to full-time administration work again."

Reid said her work here is comparable to her job at Grey-Bruce. She faces similar issues and challenges.

She said the people of the local facilities strive for excellence to provide the best service possible. "It's exciting to come into that type of environment," she said. Reid is pleased that there is good communication between departments and the staff seems intent on continual upgrading of skills through education. "They all take their jobs seriously," she said. "They take it to the next level.

"I firmly believe in empowering the staff [through education]," she says. "Ultimately, patient care gets better."

Reid said it is difficult to convey the importance of education to the public, "but you need knowledge as well as tools.

"The grass grows from the roots up," Reid said, adding that it is her job to provide the opportunity for staff to grow through education. She is pleased that staff members are "very proactive and progressive. They want to be the best for the patients."

Reid believes in the philosophy of leading by example. She has a strong desire to continue the learning process. To that end, she is working on her Master's degree. "I love learning," she said. "It's exciting to learn."

Physical fitness and a healthy lifestyle are also important to Susan Reid. She is a runner.

Susan's husband Jim is a mechanic who has a passion for boats and boating. He is in the process of restoring a boat. He also enjoys fishing.

The fact that the Haliburton County area has an active and thriving arts community was a drawing card. One of the Reids' four daughters is an accomplished artist.

The Reid family is in the process of finding a home big enough to accommodate seven. The children will finish school in Tara (near Port Elgin) before moving to this area.

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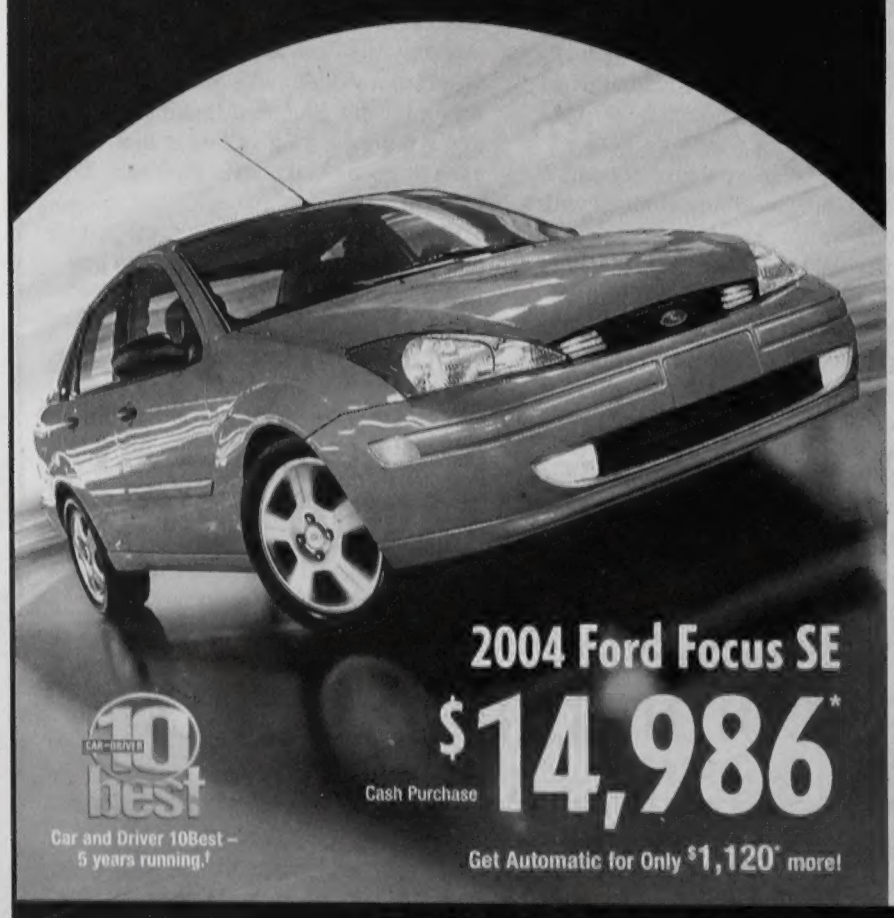

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Health For Life will get funding from the feds

by JERRY GROZELLE
Times staff

The Health For Life Program, co-ordinated by Beth Archibald, will receive federal government funding for the coming year, but at this time she doesn't know how much the funding will be.

The federal government funded the program with $75,000 last year and Archibald said this year's application is for $115,000.

Beth Archibald

The submitted application for funding requested more money than last year's grant in order to continue current programs, take them to the next level, strengthen community partnerships and extend the adult programs.

Archibald said the focus has been on children — instilling a healthy lifestyle at an early age. But by getting adults involved by promoting healthy eating habits and exercise at the workplace, it will have a double benefit when they take the newly acquired healthy living habits home and share them with their families. The goal is to establish workplace programs that help people quit smoking, develop better and more healthy eating habits and encourage exercise.

"It takes… six years for behaviours to change," she said. "This [confirmation that some funding will be forthcoming] gives us another chance to work on that behaviour."

Health For Life works in partnership to help fund a number of programs, including Community Kitchen, the Gleaning Project, Food For Kids, Active Living and others. Health For Life strengthens the community through partnerships.

Archibald said the goal is to build these and other programs to the point where they are self-sustaining. There is no guarantee that funding will continue in the future.

Archibald said she expects to know how much the program will receive by the end of April.

"The ministry is currently reviewing the proposals," Archibald said. "We're excited. We expect to get at least the same as last year."

How quickly 90 years go by ...

by IZABELA JAROSZYNSKI
Times staff

Carrie Vasey is excited about her party.

Next week, on the eve of her 90 birthday, Carrie's family will gather from across the province to toast the life of a woman who has been a loving family matriarch to a clan of nearly 50.

Four generations of Vaseys, many of whom still live in and around Haliburton County, will arrive at Birch Point Lodge to sing 'Happy Birthday' to their mom, grandmother, and great-grandmother.

Born as one of five children to Frank and Minnie Gartstone in Peterson's Corners, a place she calls "just a stop in the road," Carrie lived in the Minden area practically all her life.

The village looked a lot different in 1914, when her parents moved their children, along with infant Carrie, to a farm in the area.

She grew up in the farmhouse where Campbell's Garden Centre and Flower Shop is now located. That was before the by-pass for highway 35 was put in.

The barn that stood for decades on their property is probably one of the best known in the area.

"It is said to have been painted by hundreds of different artists," her son Hugh said.

Like many women in those days, Carrie trained to be a teacher.

"Then she met and married our father and that was the end of it," Hugh added.

Her husband, Mark Vasey, worked for a firm that fed and lodged construction-type workers. He arrived in Minden, from his hometown of Midland, when his company was contracted to set up camps for those working on building the road through town – now known as highway 35.

He fell in love with Carrie and they were married shortly after. She gave up her career aspirations to become a full-time wife and mother.

When asked if she ever worked outside the home, Carrie just smiles and says, "No, I had a real job."

Pregnant with her first child, Carrie started having difficulties late in her pregnancy.

She was rushed to Lindsay by her physician, Dr. Crowe, who made the long drive in record time.

Highway 35 back then was just a dirt road, her son Gary said, but the doctor arrived at the hospital in an hour.

Carrie became the first women in the Lindsay hospital to give birth to surviving twins, boys Gary and Glen, via cesarean section.

"Of course, I don't remember any of that," Gary laughs as he recalls the story. "I was just along for the ride!"

Just two years later, at the age of 22, Carrie gave birth to her youngest son, Hugh, and completed her happy family of five.

All three sons are now grandparents and have families of their own, but they still recall their childhood with fond memories.

Their father's work forced them to leave the area for periods at a time.

They briefly lived in Parry Sound and then moved to a small town in Quebec, just east of Montreal.

All through the Second World War, their father's company housed and fed workers making ammunition for the war effort.

Once the war ended in 1945, they settled back in Minden, where the boys attended school until they left to pursue careers.

Gary went on to become an independent real estate broker, his twin brother Glen moved to Ottawa to work for Hydro, and Hugh left home for Mississauga to work for the Gulf oil company.

Their father opened Vasey Insurance Brokers on Main Street, where he worked until retiring in 1976.

All three sons still make frequent visits to their mom, who lives at the Staanworth Court in Minden, an apartment she moved into with her husband some 14 years ago and continued to live in after he passed away in 1995.

An independent spirit all her life, Carrie continues to live on her own, receiving part-time in-home care.

She is excited about the prospect of her up-coming party, questioning her sons about details and smiling at the thought of it all.

"I'm going to be 90," she says with a shake of her head and continues to smile.

In the photo above, Carrie Vasey smiles as she is adored by her great-granddaughter Clare last June.

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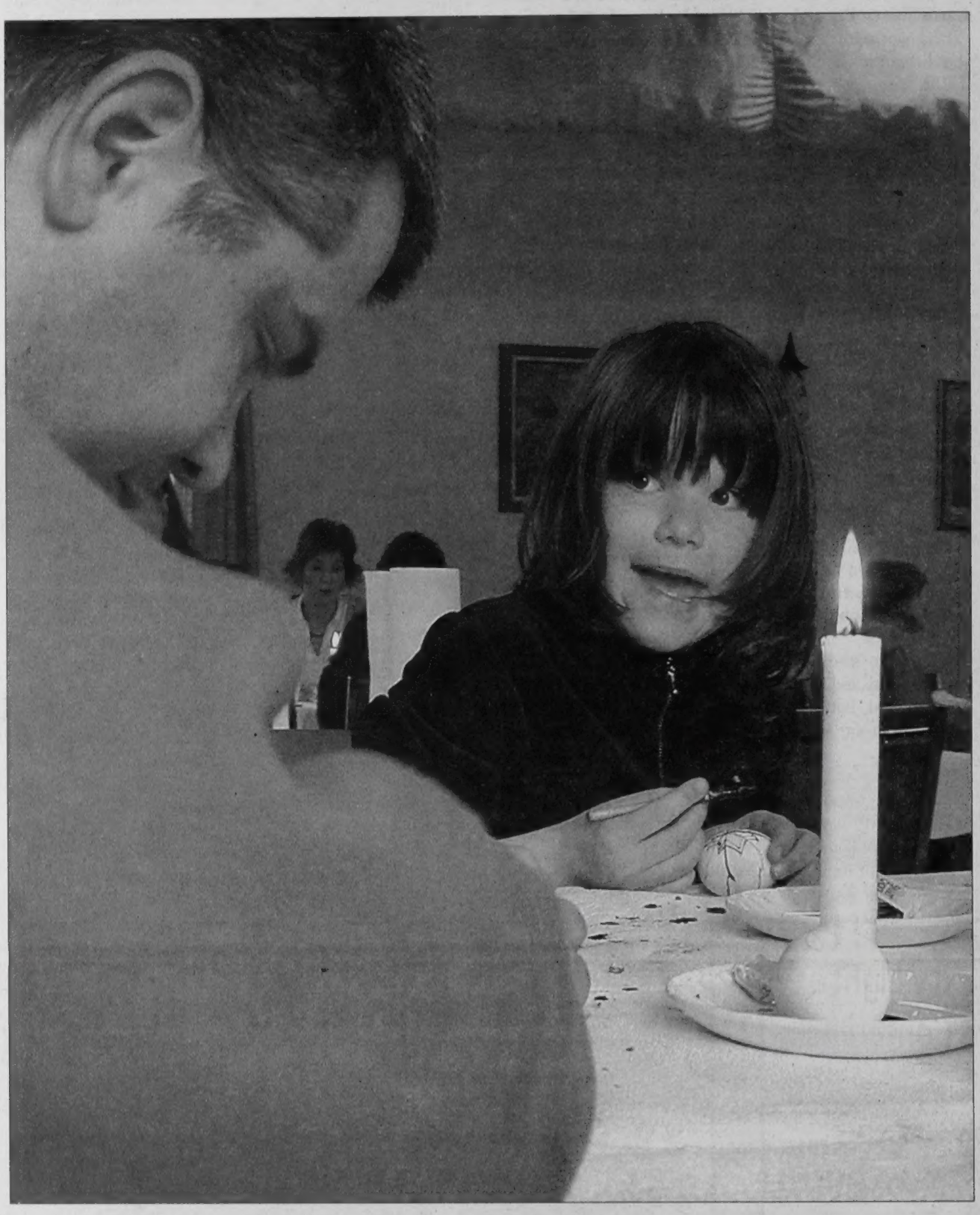

Erica Carmount creates a special Ukrainian Easter egg with her dad Robin at Club 35 last Saturday.

Using beeswax and dyes, people learn Ukranian craft that takes skill, patience, and an eye for design

by **IZABELA JAROSZYNSKI**
Times staff

Working on a fragile canvas, with only beeswax and dyes as tools, a group of local residents created crafts reminiscent of old world Europe.

Led by Ginger Kulas, the group of thirty that gathered last Saturday at Club 35 in Halls Lake, was taught how to make traditional Ukrainian Easter eggs.

Called pysanky, the eggs have been a part of Ukrainian Easter for centuries.

In the old days, onion skins and beets were boiled and used as dyes for the eggs.

Modern pysanky, however, are made using water-based dyes of various colours to create the elaborate and beautiful designs.

Eggs are said to bring luck to the person who receives them

Ukrainian eggs can either be decorated raw, as a symbol of life, or the insides can be blown out. Empty eggs are often given away as a symbol of peace, and are said to bring luck to the person who receives them.

Ginger has been teaching egg decoration skills to kids and adults for over 12 years. She started by going to her own children's classrooms and has since been asked to teach in many venues.

Although not Ukrainian herself, she adopted the traditions of her husband Bill and, with the help of her mother-in-law, taught herself the method.

She says that her children still love the tradition.

"They are allowed to bring one guest each to Easter dinner and it has become a tradition that they get a chance to make pysanky," she said.

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Friday, April 9, 10 am
Jesus' Passion on the Cross

Saturday, April 10
6pm to 10pm
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Sunday, April 11
8am & 11:15am
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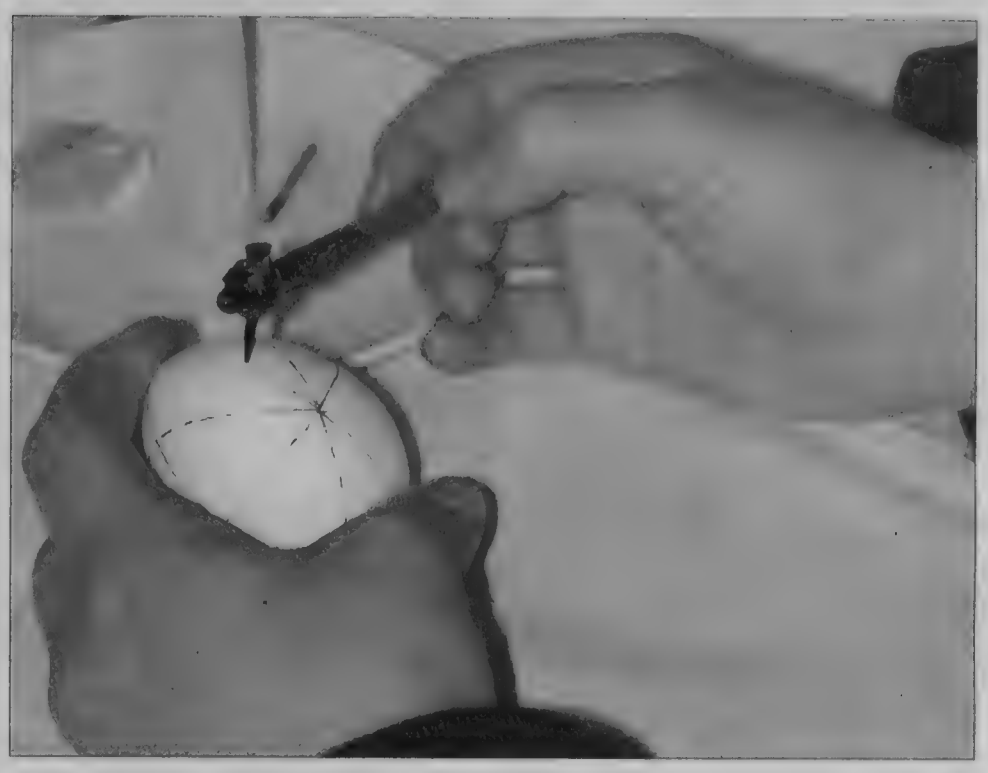
Heated beeswax is used to 'draw' patterns on the shells and then the egg is placed in a series of dyes, starting with the lightest colour.



Creating the intricate designs on such a fragile canvas takes a lot of patience. It has been a form of art in eastern Europe for centuries.

Lauren Devolin flashes a smile as she waits for her egg to dry so she can apply the next layer of wax.

Even with modern elements, the art of egg decoration still has remnants of old world charm and creating the intricate designs takes patience and practice.

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The eggs are only a small part of the Easter traditions shared by many eastern European countries. Many still decorate baskets that are filled with traditional foods like breads, sausages, and spices, then blessed by a priest and shared with the family on Easter Sunday.

In the Ukraine, special bread called Paska is baked just for this holiday and eaten as a sign of the end of lent. Ginger baked and brought in a sample of this bread for everyone to share.

The whole experience brought back memories for this reporter, who, having grown up in a traditional Polish home, shares many of the same customs. And being the youngest child, is still responsible for decorating the family Easter basket and bringing it to church for a special blessing.

The smell of burnt wax and boiling onion skins, while not always pleasant in themselves, bring back memories of happy days.

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Sell-out crowd for park fundraiser

by JERRY GROZELLE
Times staff

Any concern the organizers of the 10th annual Kinmount Heritage Park fund-raising dinner/auction may have had about holding the event earlier than usual was unfounded. It was a sell-out in spite of the fact that some of the regular patrons were unable to attend.

Some familiar faces were replaced by new ones, which may make it interesting next year when the tickets to the event go on sale.

Diane Austin is the chair of the organizing committee. She says she and the rest of the organizing committee enjoy putting the event together.

"It's a pile of work," Austin said, "but it's a lot of fun.

Austin is impressed with the continuing support of the community, both with volunteer help and donations of items and services for the auctions, raffles and the loonie draw.

"It's the community spirit that keeps it going," she said.

Austin and her organizing committee get started right after Christmas.

This year's event was earlier than usual because most of the key players had other commitments for the usual time. So, the event was moved ahead a few weeks. With the earlier date, many of the regular patrons were still vacationing in the south and weren't able to attend. But the dinner-auction was sold out and Austin said it was nice to see the new faces.

Auctioneer Don Corneil coaxes a few more dollars out of the crowd at the 10th annual Kinmount Heritage Park dinner.

Cheryl Pearson is the treasurer for the event. She reports that his year's dinner/auction was comparable to last year. She estimates the net profit at $14,500.

Pearson noted that the 2004 Kinmount Heritage Park fund-raiser was the 10th annual.

"There were a lot of new people this year because it was earlier than usual, but there are a lot of people who come back year after year," she said.

Pearson agreed with Austin that the community support for the project, through donations and attendance at the event is tremendous. "It's a lot of fun," Pearson said. "You can tell by all the laughter."

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Minden United Church Choir in the newly renovated and much more open church

Parishoners pitch in to renovate Minden's United Church

The Chancel and Choir areas in Minden United Church have been renovated to open up the front of the church to the congregation. A curved apron with steps now leads up from the main body of the church to the new area.

All the work was done by a team of dedicated volunteers led by Fred Pratt and Mal Bain, the chairman of property.

Organ, piano, choir stalls, pulpit and baptismal font are now portable so the area can be used for concerts or dramatic presentations. The first of these will take place on Sunday, May 30th at 7:30 p.m. when talented musicians of Haliburton County will perform a concert.

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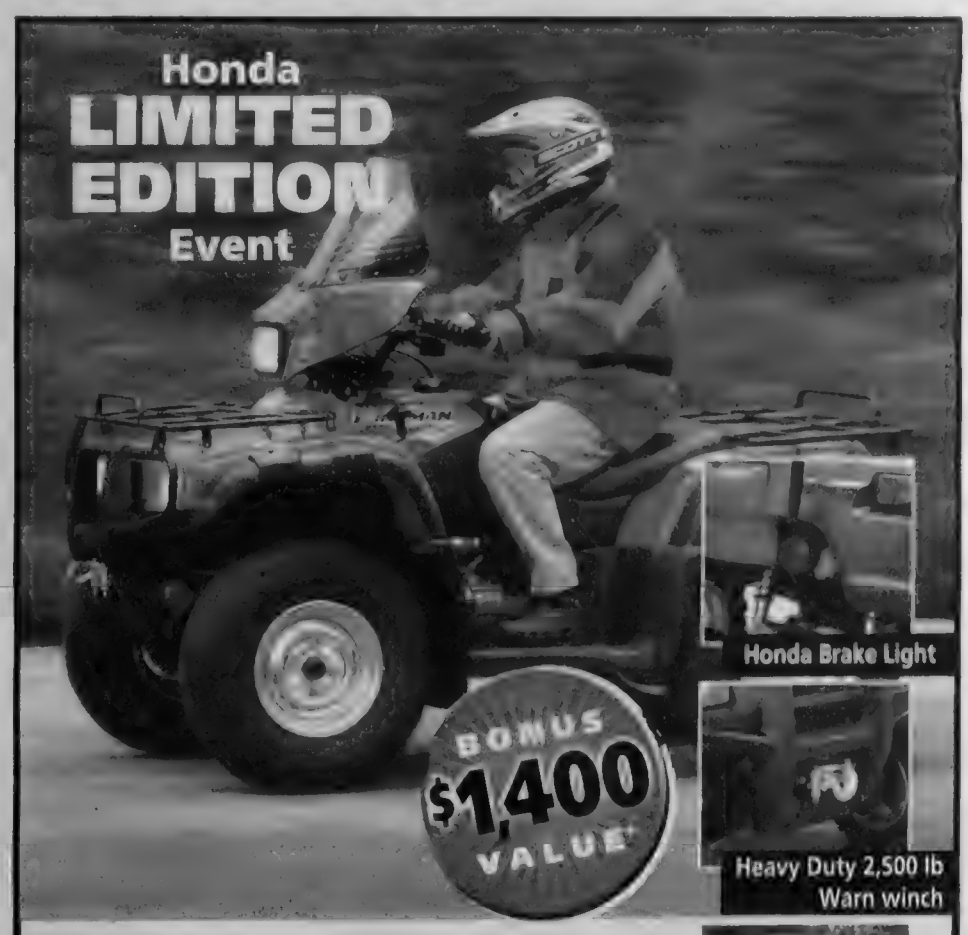

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The Tri Vocals, Elly Malcomson, Chris Archer and Jessie Pflug since in the adult ensemble class

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The Gentlemen of Song perform in the choral division

Archie Stouffer Elementary musicians Eilzabeth Lopez, Allana Colburn and Coral Pratt play *Ode to Joy*

Megan LaPierre concentrates completely on the *Winter Scene* piece as her partner and mother Marit LaPierre looks over with a smile during the piano duet at the music festival held at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion.

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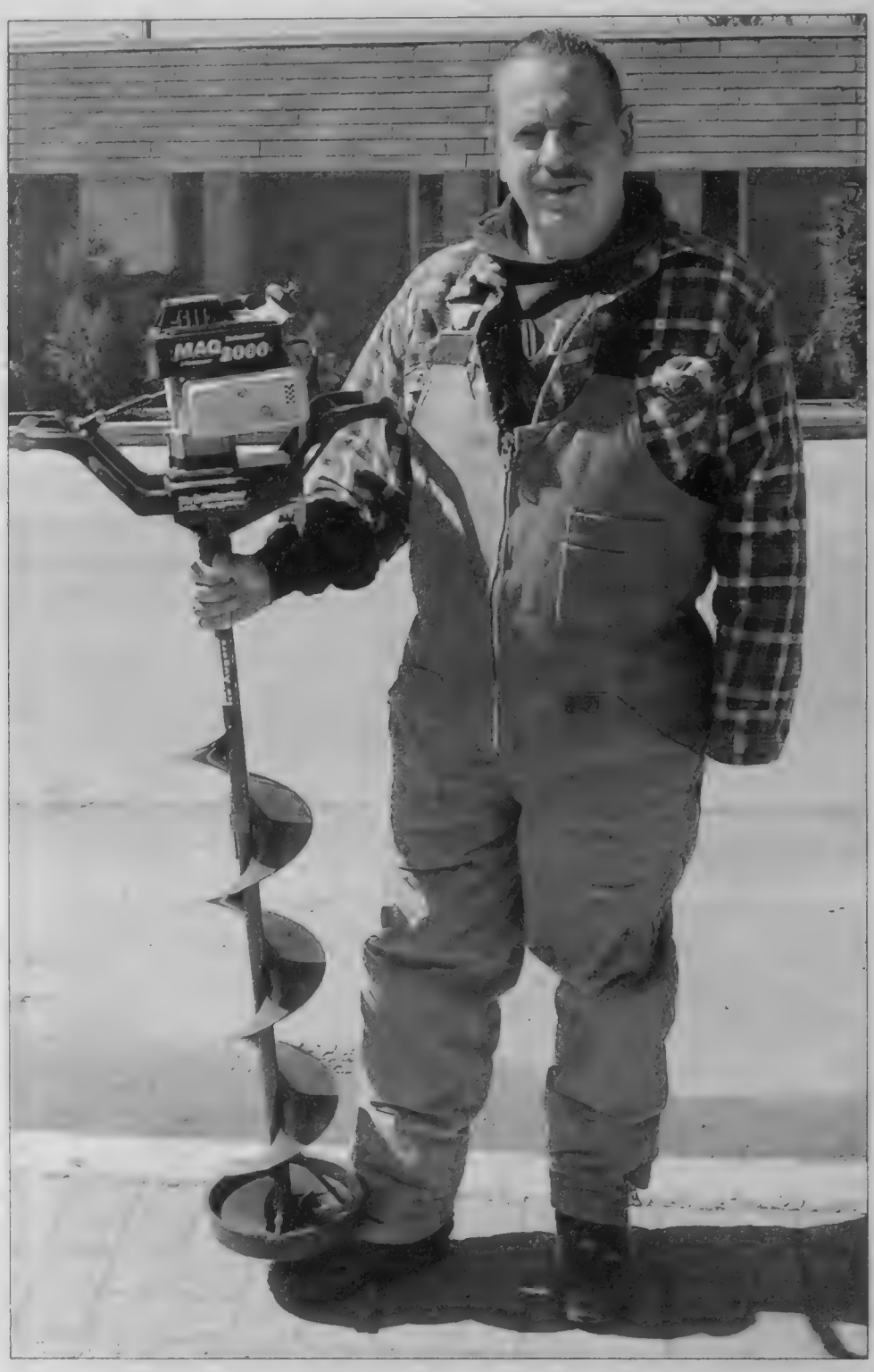

Jerry Hutchings won top prize in the Minden Live Bait & Tackle fishing derby

Local anglers land big fish to take home derby prizes

Over 120 participants came out for the 14th annual Minden Live Bait and tackle Fishing Derby. While 30 prizes were awarded overall, Jerry Hutchings carried away the grand prize: a gas powered ice auger.

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Thursday Afternoon League (April 1)
High average: Ken Thompson 241; Beverlet Alexander 175
High single: Ken Thompson 293; Beverley Alexander 196; Marlene Welch 196
High single (handicap): Doug Burtch 258; Marlene Welch 256
High triple: Ken Thompson 725; Beverley Alexander 527
High triple (handicap): Doug Burtch 711; Anne McCreight 704

Tuesday Afternoon League (March 30)
High average: Ken Thompson 216; Lillian Mattsson 180
High single: Jerry Warren 266; Lillian Mattsson 268
High single (handicap): Jerry Warren 305; Lillian Mattsson 303
High triple: Jerry Warren 688; Lillian Mattsson 593
High triple (handicap): Jerry Warren 805; Lillian Mattsson 704

Wednesday Aft. League (March 31)
High average: Ken Thompson 208; Jean Pugh 177
High single: Fred Phipps 261; Jean Pugh 304
High single (handicap): Fred Phipps 292; Jean Pugh 343
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When Lottie Ruttan first came up with the idea of starting a line dancing group in Stanhope, she couldn't have imagined that it would be so successful.

Now in its 17 year, the group continues to draw faithful numbers of participants every week.

Dorothy Milne, an instructor for the group since 1988, says that the activity is helpful to residents of all ages, but especially for seniors.

"It not only offers good exercise but is a good social event," Milne said.

She first began as an assistant instructor to Dorothy-Jean Connors, but became the head instructor when Connors retired.

And she loves every minute of it.

"Line dancing , either traditional or country, is popular all over Canada," she said, adding that it is a great way to socialize.

The calls and patterns of line dancing are similar to that of round dancing, she said, except they don't require a partner, making it an ideal activity for singles.

Bell Walker, a resident of Maple Lake, has been dancing with the group since it's inception in 1987 and is considered by current members to be their "terrific Matriarch."

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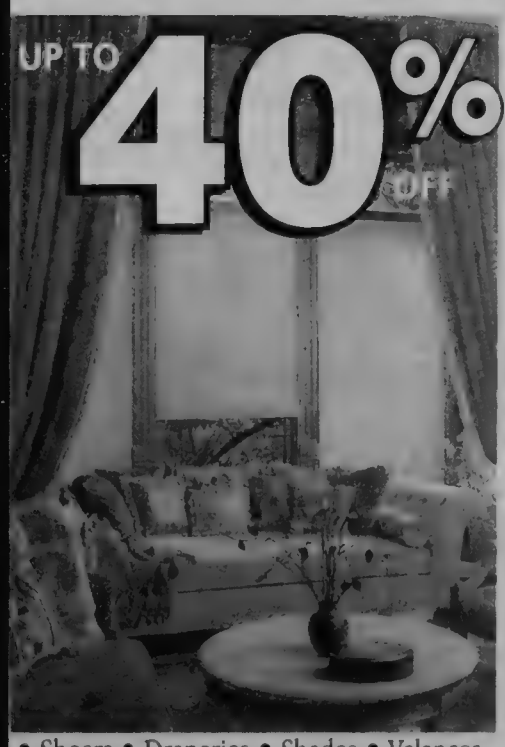

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We are sitting here pondering whether March came in like lion or not. General consensus say it came in like a lamb and we don t mind that it went out like one either.

Our Tea Party hosts make sure that every Thursday we are spoiled with sweets and treats along with a good helping of their fine company. March brought us The Haliburton UCW, Allsaw Pentecostal Church group, The Lakeside Baptist Church group and Minden Lioness ladies. They put a great deal of effort into making our Tea Parties a highlight in our week and we wish to thank these wonderful people.

April 18th to the 24th is volunteer week and although we do appreciate our volunteers, we think it is appropriate that a special time is set aside honouring them. They are a blessing with their selfless efforts and we as residents of Hyland Crest thank each and every one of them.

There are many volunteers to thank and we would like to take this opportunity to thank them. We are sure to miss some so please forgive us if we do.

Where to start? We hope we don t miss anyone, here we go.

Dottie for spending hours making crafts with us she always goes above and beyond making sure the residents tables are adorned for every special occasion. Pearl and Maxine for providing us with numerous hours playing bingo and Pearl always on hand to bartend for us. Rev. Burgess who faithfully arrives each Sunday to bright our day with a prayer or a friendly visit, we do enjoy those moments. All the Ministers who provide us with our spiritual needs: Pastor Ashley Taylor, Rev. Riscyla Shaw, Pastor Dan Millard, Rev. Max Ward and Father Hart. The volunteers who make friendly visits; Adam Hopp, Mary McNeice, Barb Scully, William Harding and Nancy Ballantyne. This time is precious and means so much.

Olive, Weldon and friends who share their music. Jack and Ruth Worthington who light up a room and liven up the mood. Ruth we hope you are feeling better, as well as Jean Dutka whose evening visits are missed. We look forward to The Salvation Army coming in to visit us monthly also. The Allsaw Gospel Singers, Burrt Bonnell, and Gord Kennedy all who are on hand to sing or play each month. Gord Kennedy had a birthday this month. Happy Birthday from all of us Gord. Thanks to Joy for providing PrayerFriends, Barb

Trocowicz, Katrina Shaddock for Residents Council. Haley, Jeremy, Sheila, Pat and Barb who are ever faithful helping with Tea Party. Bob and Dottie for happy Hour or where ever and when ever else they are needed. Jim and Joan Meadows lending a hand on entertainment evenings. To all the family members who help out, we truly appreciate it.

On another note we would like to say get well to Linda Robertson we hope to see you back soon, and Jill Brown, we miss your laughter.

We were saddened to say goodbye to Vera Barnhart who passed away in March. She had been a resident for some years and will be missed by residents and staff. Our condolences to her family and friends.

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Easter brings pancake feast, local syrup, to fire hall

Happy Easter to you and your family. On this joyous holiday may you have good food, good faith and close family to share it with. Easter brings a feeling of togetherness to everyone. As you come together with your family for Easter, come together with the community as well and celebrate Easter and its riches.

On Saturday, April 10, the Stanhope Recreation Committee will be hosting the Annual Pancake Breakfast at the Stanhope Community Firefighters Hall on North Shore Rd. Bring the family for all you can eat pancakes, sausage, bacon and beverages. Enjoy locally-made real maple syrup from the Emes family, or if you prefer, we also have store brand syrup. The Emes family will also be selling their maple syrup and maple products at the pancake breakfast so you can take home the great taste of spring. The pancake breakfast runs from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. for one day only. All you can eat adults $6 and children $3, proceeds go towards providing recreation for the Stanhope Community. See you there

STANHOPELIFE

Alisha Stevens
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I would like to take a moment to say Happy Birthday to my grandma, Eileen Stevens. Her birthday was on April 3rd. No, we didn't forget about you! Happy birthday goes to you from all of your grandchildren, Alisha, Ronald, Robert, Carter, Emily, Steffany and Caitlin. Hope your birthday was as special as you are, we love you.

If your children are looking for some sports to get involved in this summer, register for the Stanhope Soccer League. In person registration has already passed, but phone registration is still available until April 16th by calling 705-766-9968.

Last year a few good volunteers started an adult soccer league for adults. The league is for people ages 18 + and is co-ed. A wide variety of ages play. Games are played Wednesday evenings and cost $5 to play for the summer. Don't let the kids have all the fun. Register by calling 705-766-9968.

On Thursday, March 25th, the Algonquin Highlands Waste Management committee hosted their first Public Liaison Committee at the Dorset Recreation Centre. The purpose of the committee is to disseminate information regarding the study to the public and to receive information from the public. The Committee was pleased to see some interested people present. A list of all the documents created so far was provided. These are available on the township website at www.algonquinhighlands.ca . The next open meeting will be held on May 27th at the Oxtongue Community Centre at 10:30 a.m. It is hoped that the Terms of Reference for the study will be available at that time.

One of the items discussed at the Waste Management Committee meeting was whether we could collect dry cell batteries--both disposable and rechargeable-- at our landfill sites through the year. The answer from MOE is no. They must be disposed of during the hazardous waste day on July 31, 2004 at Pine Springs, just like the wet cell batteries (car batteries). The Waste Management committee suggests that each household maintain a small container where these batteries can be collected through the year and saved for disposal during the Hazardous Waste Day. This way the toxic materials in these batteries will not end up in our landfill sites--and endanger our water.

If you have any interesting news or know of something going on in Stanhope that people will want to know about, e-mail me at alisha_stevens20@hotmail.com or call 705-766-9968. Don't forget to do your part to keep Stanhope a beautiful place. Reduce, Reuse, Recycle! Blue boxes are available for purchase at the Stanhope Township office for $5 each.

WEATHER:

Winter waning, but it's taking its time...

by PHIL GRAHAM

March is over but Winter is not finished yet. The average of March was –0.7c (30.7) much warmer than last March, also with more precipitation. Was a dull month considering snow and rain, not much sunshine heavy rain March 5th.

Lakes should be clear of ice April 15-20. Snow was gone in fields by March 31, but still 8-10 inches in the bush. Not a good year for maple syrup, too much dull drizzly conditions.

Average high:	4.0 C, 39.2°F
Average low:	–5.5°C, 22.1°F
Average for the month:	-0.7°C, 30.7°F
Average for last March:	–7.9°C, 17.7°F
Highest temperature:	March 28 16°C 60.8°F
Lowest temperature:	March 22 -17°C, 1.4°F
Rain:	77.2mm, .3.0 in
Snow:	26.0 cm, 10.2 in
Total precipitation:	103.2 mm, 4.0 in
Total precipitation for last March:	72.0 mm, 2.8 in
Snow on ground:	March 31: Patches, 12 cm in bush
Snow on ground last March 31:	8 cm, 3.1 in
Total snowfall Nov 1 to March 31:	168 cm, 66.1 in
Days mostly sunny:	8
Days with snow or rain:	12
Days with thunderstorms:	1

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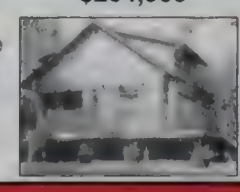

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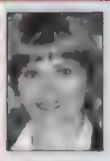

Rosalind Bagg*

CHOICE LOT/ CHOICE LOCATION
Beautiful building lot, walking distance to Sir Sam's Ski Area and Basshaunt Lake municipal access, winter or summer, great location to build! Come and see.
Call Rosalind Bagg

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Julie Gray*

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Call Julie Gray

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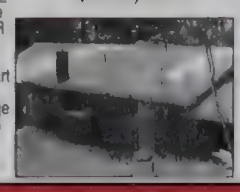

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Cathy Bain*

WINDING CREEK ROAD
Great building lot, level with mature trees, Nice neighbourhood. Adjacent parcel also for sale.
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HUNTERCREEK ROAD
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$17,500
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Bill Kulas*

BIG BOB LAKE
Affordable cottage living on pristine Big Bob Lake This well kept 2 bdrm. cottage w/guest bunkie on a level lot features a terrific western sunset view. Value priced! A must see! Call Bill Kulas for details.

$169,000

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Ken Barry**

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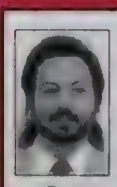

Rick Lowes*

MAPLE LAKE STORE
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$119,900
Call Rick Lowes

Linda Beachli***

WHAT A VIEW!
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Call Linda Beachli

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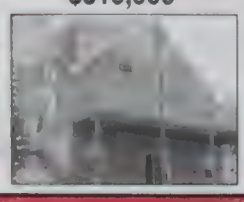

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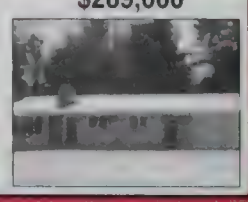

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HUNTING PROPERTY
Well treed 96 acre parcel with stream & small lake in the back, small cabin & new outhouse, property backs onto thousands of acres of Crown Land, fronting on yr rnd rd, hydro & phone available.
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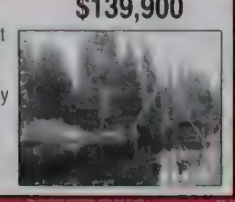

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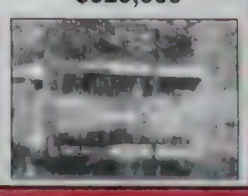

Tom** & Gail* Tempest*

Gorgeous 2400 sq.ft recently renovated 2 storey, 4 bdrm home located. in Minden on S Water St. Lots of extras inc. 2-4 pc and 1-2 pc baths, master w/ensuite Mn flr laundry, mn flr fam rm & sep. DR Great view of Gull River where you can boat from your own dock into fabulous Gull Lake. Call Tom & Gail

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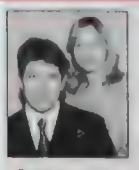

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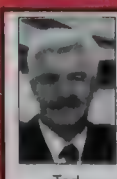

Ted Vasey*

MISKWABI LAKE ACCESS
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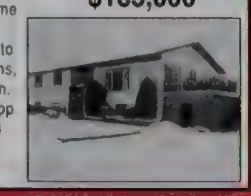

Fred Chapple*

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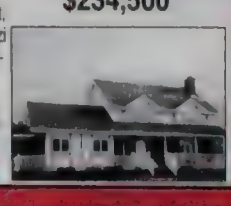

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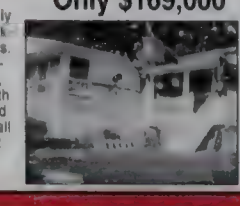

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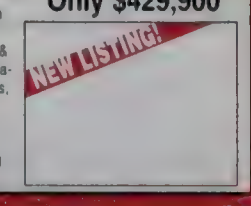

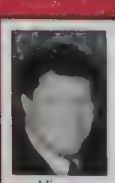

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Kinmount fundraiser draws full house

Money from dinner, auction, will be used for community development

The Province of Saskatchewan is looking better every day. Did you know that it is the only province in Canada that does not change from Eastern Standard Time to Daylight Saving and make life miserable for small babies, pets and older adults on medication schedules? By the time everything returns to normal here at the farmhouse it will likely be October 31, the date to "fall back" again. I may even dress up and give out candy to celebrate.

Remember when "spam" was a canned meat with a key on top? It certainly was a regular postwar delicacy at our house. Mother's creative use of it, born out of economic necessity, would have impressed even Martha Stewart. Today spam has a different meaning, unwanted mail which floods our computers. On average Bruce receives 50-60 of these messages a day. If you send along an E-mail with regards to an item for "Around the Time" it would be helpful if an identifier could be put in the subject box eg. Column.

There was a full house at the Galway Hall for the annual Dinner Auction sponsored by the Kinmount Committee for Planning and Economic Development. Funds raised this year will be used in support of a variety of community initiatives including the beautiful flowers, which brighten our town through the summer season. Once again the efforts of these volunteers on behalf of our residents and visitors is acknowledged. Avid gardener David Fleury was certainly a "happy camper" winning several items including the Garden "Love Basket".

Just a reminder to all karaokers to come out to the Kinmount Legion Branch 441 and join the "Back Forty" on Friday, April 16 at 9 p.m. The next "Big Bucks Bid Euchre" will be held at the Legion on Wednesday, April 21 starting at 11 a.m. with lunch included in the $10 fee.

The Minden Branch, Haliburton County Public Library has story time and crafts on Saturdays April 10, April 24, May 1, May 8 and May 29 from 12:00-12:45 p.m.. For more information please call the Branch at 286-2491 or the Library Administration Office at 457-2241.

AROUNDTHETOWN

Patti Fleury
488-2938 Fax: 488-1246
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An introductory session of "Writing as Medicine" will be offered by Brenda Peddigrew, Ph.D on Thursday, April 22 at Club 35, Halls Lake from 7-9:30 p.m. Club 35 is located ten minutes north of Carnarvon on Highway 35. The cost is $25.00 and no previous writing experience is required. Please call 489-3509 to pre-register.

The Haliburton Highlands Museum is presenting an evening of poetry at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 28 to celebrate National Poetry Month. The Event will feature readings by four poets from their current collections and also from their work as it relates to life in rural Ontario - poems that speak of our cultural past, a vanishing way of life, and honour the fragile legacy of our land, lakes and forests. Admission is by donation and everyone is welcome. The Museum is situated in Glebe Park, on Bayshore Acres Road off highway 118 just north of Haliburton Village. The host and poets wish to acknowledge the support of the League of Canadian Poets and the Canada Council for the Arts.

Now for the **Scoring News** with your usual reminder to keep busy and well. With the earlier publication date this Easter week results of the Tuesday events will appear in the next issue.

Wednesday, March 31 duplicate bridge at Parklane, Haliburton: In North/South it was Don Mills and Bill Sandford first at 62% with Judy Neimann partnered with Harold Cox second at 52%. East/West winners with 56% were Joan Galley and Mike Collins while Mayme Douglas and Reet Murray teamed up to take second spot at 52%.

Wednesday, March 31 bid euchre at Stanhope: There were five moonshots landing on Bev Swick, Willie Cox, Chris Clarke, Kevin Maloney and Rob Evans. Leading the pinks was Willie Cox 304 followed by Gala Stamp 298 and Pearl Cowen 271 with Rob Evans topping the charts for the white cards at 306, Pearl Foster 293 second and Tom Orr 275 third.

Wednesday, March 31 Kinmount Seniors euchre at the Kinmount Legion Branch 441: For the ladies Theresa Deak had the high score with Rose Isaacson taking the low. Harold Harvie recorded the men's high score with Truman McNeil winning for low hands and Emily Harvie receiving the draw prize.

Friday, April 2 euchre at Staanworth Court, Minden: High score honours went to Elaine Yeo with Hazel Dorman tallying up the low score and our reporter Doreen Francis holding the most lone hands. The other prize was won by Helen Skelding who joined everyone there in warmly welcoming back Verna McDonald.

Friday, April 2 bid euchre at Club 35, Halls Lake: Pat Scadden and John Grinbergen took single moonshots while Sharon Evans had two and Leroy Mowat uncovered the hidden score. For the pinks it was Barb Robitaille 281 in first place followed by Verna Sawyer 263 and Jean Scadden 231. John Grinberger led the white cards at 271 with Rob Evans 263 second and Tom Pearson 260 third.

Friday, April 2 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills, Haliburton: Playing the Howell system it was Margo Davidson and Ross Fletcher first at 66% with Muriel and Doug McIntosh second at 57% and Mayme Douglas partnered with Mike Collins third at 53%.

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Staanworth Terrace trio wins celestial prize

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Saturday, April 3 bid euchre at Staanworth Terrace, Minden: The "Moonshot Trio " members were Margaret Fletcher. Barb Robitaille and Pat Roussel who also won a draw prize along with Pearl Cowen and Ruth Kellett. In the scores department it was Barb Robitaille taking the high honours with 325 then Helen Luffman 289 second and Marg Fletcher 275 third.

Monday, April 5 cribbage at the Minden Legion Branch 636: Topping the charts was Joe Rivers with Don Burch second and Pat Roussel third. Other prize winners were Jean Scadden and Syd Adamson. Elva Paisley reminds that there will not be cribbage at the Legion next Monday, April 12th.

Monday, April 5 euchre at Staanworth Terrace, Minden: Congratulations to June Branning for her high hands win. Our reporter Elaine Yeo took the honours for most lone hands and Iris Taylor for low hands while Martha Harding won the special prize.

Monday, April 5 euchre at the Friendship Club, St. Paul's Anglican Church, Minden: In the lone hands department it was Joyce Ritchie for the ladies and Norm Lee for the gents. High score holders ladies/men were Mabel Deacon and Lorne Dinesen while Jeanne Keliele and Wayne Jones recorded the afternoon's lows. Jesse Barlow held the most lone hands with Betty and Tim Sharpe winning the draws. Norm Lee took home the donated box of delicious Girl Guide chocolate covered cookies. Do watch for these cookies on sale in your community and support this worthwhile organization. Katie Parker reminds that there will be cards next week on Easter Monday, April 12th.

Monday, April 5 euchre at Club 35, Halls Lake: Garth Windsor reports that for most lone hands it was Barb Robitaille while Pearl Kernohan won the baloney. High score holders ladies/men were Colleen Davison and Ivan Kernohan with the low scores a family affair going to Mary and Tom Pearson. Tom also received a special prize in fashionable black and white. His many friends at Club 35 send along their best wishes to Alf Whyman.

Monday, April 5 Kinmount Seniors bid euchre at the Kinmount Legion Branch 441: First place went to Roger Fournier with Rose Isaacson in second spot. The moonshots went to Roger Fournier and Rose Isaacson while Kit Schroter won the special draw.

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APPLICATION FILE NO.:	MV A01/2004
APPLICANT/OWNER:	CARTER: John
PROPERTY LOCATION:	Part Lot(s) 22, Concession 4, Township of Minden
PURPOSE OF APPLICATION:	The applicant is requesting relief from Section 3.4 of By-law 86-26 to permit construction of a larger cottage.
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TIME:	5:30 p.m
PLACE AND ADDRESS:	Municipal Council Chambers 7 Milne Street Minden, Ontario

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding this application will be available for public inspection at the Building and Planning Department for the Township of Minden Hills, (formerly the Township of Lutterworth Municipal Office), Highway 35, Minden, Ontario.

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2. Any person who contravenes any of the provisions of this by-law is guilty of an offence and, upon conviction, is liable to a fine as provided for under the Highway Traffic Act.

The provisions of this by-law shall come into force and take effect on the 24th day of March 2004.

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MONEY, LYNDA JEAN – Entered into rest peacefully at her home on Thursday, April 1, 2004. Lynda Gartshore, in her 63rd year, was the beloved wife of Don Money of Woodville. Loving mother of Susan Miscio, Karan and her husband Gregory Chalmers, and Jeff Money. Cherished grandma of Ryan Moore, April Moore, Pamela and Nicholas Miscio and Maguire Money. Dear sister of Mr. Bev Gartshore (Barb), Murray Gartshore (Joan), Connie (Ken Sawyer), Myles Gartshore (Kathy), Gail Teatro (the late David), Kathy Gartshore (the late George Johnson), Dean Gartshore (Laureen), Curtis Gartshore, and Scott Gartshore (Marion). Fondly remembered by the Arsenault, Money, Heeley, Worth, Ball, and Nelson Families. Sadly missed by Nicole Money, Ray Miscio, Rodger Moore and countless relatives, friends and neighbours. Visitation was at the Mackey Funeral Home, 33 Peel Street, Lindsay (705–328–2721) on Saturday from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. and on Sunday, April 4th from 1:30 p.m. until the time of funeral service in the chapel at 3:30 p.m. Cremation to follow. Memorial donations to Women's Resources, Lindsay would be appreciated by the family.
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- Every Wednesday: Gooderham Branch, Haliburton County Public Library. Story circle at 11:30 am on Pine Street, in downtown Gooderham. 457-2241 or 447-3163.
- Storytime & crafts at the Wilberforce Branch of the Haliburton County Public Library on Tuesday evenings from 6:45-7:30pm. Pajamas welcome! 457-2241 or 448-2510.
- **The Kawartha Sexual Assault Centre** invites you to come & enjoy **Creative Women's Circle**, a Centre Program that takes place Thursday afternoons from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Call 705-748-5901 for more information.
- **Quilters Etc Club** is meeting at the Dorset Rec Centre on Fridays from 9-12pm. This is a "drop-in" for knitters, quilters and needle workers. All are welcome from beginners to advanced. Call Shirley-Anne (705) 766-2738 or Mildred (705) 766-0335.
- **Every Monday** Home Support offers Contract Bridge beginning at 1 p.m. to seniors 55+ or physically disabled adults. Every Thursday join us for Bid Euchre beginning at 1 p.m. Every Friday join us for Cribbage beginning at 1p.m. Please call Ida for more info 457-2941.
- **Dorset TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Chapter** meets at Dorset Rec Centre every Monday at 8:30am for a weigh-in & meeting. Join this non-profit weight loss support group.
- **The Kawartha Sexual Assault Centre** invites you to come & experience our exciting Self-Care workshops. Each workshop runs from 1 to 3 p.m. Advanced Registration Required. For a list of workshops with dates call 705-748-5901.
- **Family Services of Haliburton County** is in urgent need of volunteer respite workers, someone who can be a special "buddy" and share your interests, or plan a fun activity with a child who has special needs in Tory Hill, Halls Lake, Haliburton, Donald, & Cardiff. Call Marilou - Family Services 457-5345 ext 308.
- **Now Until May 28:** Walkers are welcome to use the halls of Archie Stouffer Elementary School in Minden 7:30am until 8:15am Mon-Fri. Call Moris Duff 286-6079.
- **Skating:** Anyone interested in couples/singles adult pleasure skating once a week at Minden Arena, please call marilyn 286-6792. Day and time to be decided.
- **ONTARIO BREAST SCREENING PROGRAM:** For women 50 years and over, screening by appointment only on Thursdays and Fridays at Ross Memorial Hospital. No doctor referral needed. Call 705-328-6175.
- **April 10:** Maple Syrup Festival ALL YOU CAN EAT Pancakes, Sausages & Maple Syrup.
Lloyd Watson Centre, Wilberforce 9am - 2pm Also Fleamarket & Crafts 9am - 3pm.
- **April 10:** Norland United Church's Pancake Breakfast starting at 8am. All are welcome!
- **April 10:** 9:30am Easter Surprises Stories and Craft at the Kirkfield Library. Call 438-3331.
- **April 10:** All You Can Eat Easter Pancake Breakfast. 10am to 1pm. Stanhope Community Fire Hall on North Shore Rd. For more information call 766-9968.
- **April 14:** The regular meeting of the Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group will be held upstairs at the Royal Canadian legion, Minden Branch 636. Doors open at 6pm. At 7pm the speaker will be Kate Hall of U-Links talking about Haliburton County grey literature archived at U-Links. Everyone welcome. Call Gail Leach-Wunker for details (705) 286-2225.
- **April 14:** Craft Day for adults at the Burnt River Library starting at 12 noon. Call 454-9646.
- **April 17, 24:** H.I.N.T. (Haliburton Individual Networking Team) The NEW job or career search networking group is meeting. Come out and explore, to see if this networking group could help you emotionally and at the same time learn job search skills from a professional, experienced leader. Meeting place: Minden Food Bank facilities.11:00am. For more info call Paul at 705-489-1577 or if not there, My cell at 1-416-876-6289.
- **April 18, May 11, June 5:** Free Screening Clinics for Toddlers and pre-schoolers-Minden. At the Ontario Early Years Centre, Minden 1-3pm. Call 286-1770 to book appointment.
- **April 19:** The Shaun Chapman Memorial Skateboard Park Committee's next meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the former Somerville Township office building. Pre-teens, teens and adults welcome.

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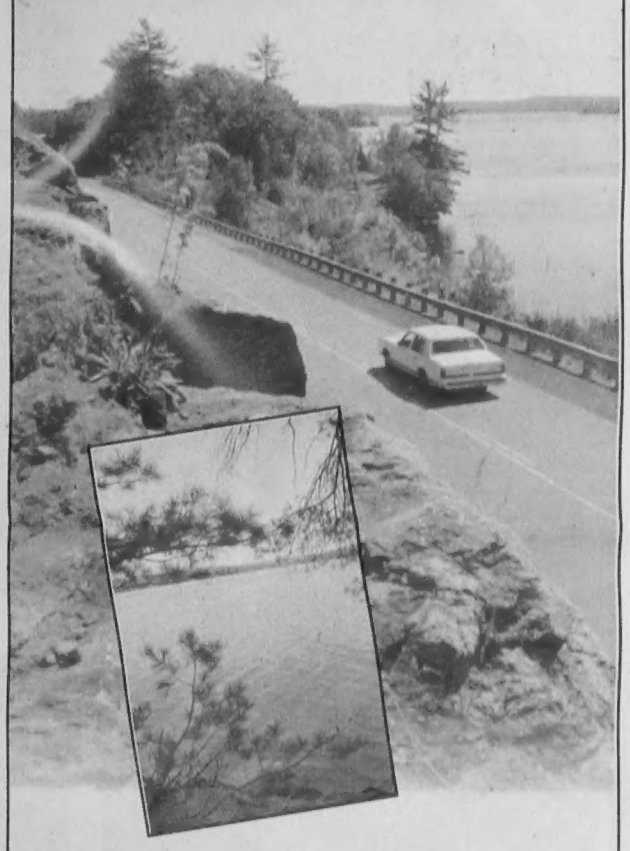

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